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FESS SHRIEKS "SOCIALISM" IN PLEA FOR JUDGE PARKER; GREEN MAKES NEW ATTACK

Washington, May 3.—Senator Fess charged that "Socialism" is behind opposition to confirmation of Judge Parker.

This stock phrase of the Ohio Senator in a passionate plea for his colleagues "not to blink at the fact that there is an organized attack on the judiciary of our country."

Senator Ashurst interrupted Mr. Fess by stating that "No man is fit to sit upon that bench who ratified the 'yellow dog'."

Senator Gillette of Massachusetts defended Parker.

Wm. Green, president A. F. of L., renewed his attack on Judge Parker in a letter to Senator Norris that answers Parker's public defense of his "yellow dog" decision.

PARKER'S INTEGRITY AS LAWYER IN WAR-FRAUD CASES IS DOUBTED

Washington, May 3.—Judge Parker's integrity as a lawyer in the government's prosecution of alleged war frauds, following the World War, is discussed by Ralph A. Hayes, New York banker, in a long letter to Senator Norris.

Accusations of Parker's questionable tactics of been previously referred to, but Hayes tells the story. He is discussed by Ralph A. Hayes, New York banker, in a long letter to Senator Norris.

Attorney General Daugherty and the "Ohio gang" attempted to fasten war fraud on their political opponents, said Hayes.

Local business men are awakening to the anti-union plan, which means big wages and big purchasing power. These business men are beginning to accept the anti-union plan, which means big wages and big purchasing power.

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APPROXIMATELY 21 PER CENT OF WORKING MEN MADE TINY ADVANCE

Washington, May 3.—"Wage earners have been much slower in getting back to work than usual this year," said President Green in a statement based on reports received by him from various parts of the country.

"Reports for March show 21 per cent out of work, while in April the number of idle were 20 per cent."

This is a gain of but 10 per 1,000 workers.

"This drop of only 1 per cent is a very small improvement for the month," said Mr. Green. "Continuing high unemployment in the building trades, slight increase in the number of out of work in metal trades and in some of the building materials industries are important factors in the slow recovery."

The building 49 per cent are still out of work, a decrease of only 1 per cent since March. In April they were out. This is a marked contrast to former years.

"The decrease from March to April was 5 per cent, and in 1928 it was 6 per cent. The decrease in the printing trades is also unusually small. In the metal trades 19 per cent are idle, as compared to 7 per cent last year. The slight increase since March is due to the slow development of the day work."

FORBID 5-DAY WEEK IN SINGLE CONTRACT

New York, May 3.—The American Newspaper Publishers' Association, in a resolution passed at its annual convention, forbids the use of the five-day week in single contracts.

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"WORLD SNEERED IN CONTEMPT" AT OUR POLITICAL PHILOSOPHY

Washington, May 3.—"The world sneered in contempt when we whiffled at the system of government, which has revolutionized the governments of the world," said Congressman Mass of St. Paul, in an address to the District of Columbia Congressmen of Parents and Citizens.

"The theory of government handed to us by the founders of our Constitution was a complete reversal of that handed down from time immemorial," said Mr. Mass.

"It rejected the basis that rights came from above and that privileges were conferred from on high. It established the principle that the rights, privileges and powers of government came from the people themselves, and such rights and powers were exercised by officials were merely a trust placed in their hands temporarily by the sovereigns themselves—the citizens—to be exercised by them."

It was not just another government, nor yet just a new type of government. The very basis of old-age political philosophy was discarded and a breath-taking drama was born into reality.

"The citizen should be as passionately exercised and thereby preserve the liberties of the Republic as the founders passionately struggled to obtain them. Rights not exercised are soon lost. The government of governments, the crowd creep upon us quietly and imperceptibly, and the product of our unchecked reaction is inevitable tyranny."

IS SKILL NEEDED TO MAN SHIPS?

A rear admiral, who has just returned from the London naval conference, says a merchant marine is an essential part of sea power, and that this is possible "by building ships just as we build our aircraft carriers."

Suppose we build the ships. Who will man them? Does the government man fighting ships? Or does it man merchant ships? Or does it man private ship owners? Or does it man private ship owners? Or does it man private ship owners?

The spirit of adventure and a "sea consciousness" in the American boy has been destroyed by greedy private ship owners. They are the only ones in the world who man their ships with social outcasts and incompetents, who are not trained to man ships.

Every ship owner but America's recognizes the right of seamen to work. No ship owner, but an American, forces seamen to work 12 hours a day for 30 days a month.

Every nation but ours strives to have their citizens man their merchant marine, that trained and reliable nations on sea are ready when the emergency arises.

In America we are led to believe that sea power lies in ships, regardless of how they are manned.

All other nations believe that sea power is in skilled men. The history of every maritime nation upholds the latter position.

UNION PACIFIC GAINS; HAS LOW-WAGE POLICY

Omaha, May 3.—The Union Pacific's sweated labor policy resulted in a gain of \$1,410,710 over the cost of the road, and a \$30,236 a share more than pay 10 per cent dividend.

The Union Pacific railroad corporation is constructing a \$4,000,000 terminal in this city under contract with the city. The terminal is to be used for the storage of freight cars.

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Senator Borah Flays Judge Parker; Vicious "Yellow Dog" Is Exposed

Borah's "Contract" Would Destroy Trade Unions

I appreciate also the interest which organized labor has in this contract. It is a vital interest and it is an interest which cannot be carried to its logical conclusion unless labor would be at an end in the United States.—Senator Borah.

Washington, May 3.—Judge Parker's "yellow dog" decision in the Red Jacket case is a reminder of ancient times, declared Senator Borah in a speech that held a crowded Senate and galleries.

The Idaho Senator said Parker had gone out of his way to even out the scales between the powerful and the weak, and that he had done so by ignoring that our 1921 decision in the Tri-City case, where in it was held that peaceful persuasion is lawful.

The senator stripped the base to the state question of dealing workers as slaves. He said that the state should not be allowed to treat workers as slaves. He said that the state should not be allowed to treat workers as slaves.

"I am opposed to Judge Parker because I think he is committed to principles that are not only un-American but are a thoroughgoing apology for the fundamental."

The nomination of Judge Parker has brought up for consideration the question of the right of contractually and not without reason. The senator said that the state should not be allowed to treat workers as slaves.

"I understand perfectly the interest which the employer may have in this kind of a contract. It is an important one, and it is an important one."

BUILDING INDUSTRY FAVORS STRIKE BAN

Washington, May 3.—"There should be no strike by any trade in the building trades industry to enforce jurisdictional claims for the next 90 days."

This far-reaching and record-making recommendation was made by the National Association of Building Trades Employers and the National Association of Building Trades Unions.

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